Amendments to the Claims

Claim 1 (Currently Amended) A projection display device comprising:

a white light source;

a condensing means for condensing light emitted from the <u>white</u> light source <u>to</u> form a condensed spot on a color wheel including a plurality of color filters having respective colors;

a color selection means for selectively passing through light of each color band of the light of the condensed spot which has been condensed by the condensing means, in a predetermined order, by rotating the a color wheel including of plural color filters that are placed in the form of disc and have respective colors;

an illumination means for condensing the light which has passed through the color selection means and illuminating a spatial light modulator;

a spatial light modulator for modulating the light-incident from the illumination means incident thereon; and

a projection means for projecting the light modulated by the spatial light modulator onto a screen; and

said projection display device including a shading means for, when a the size of the condensed spot on the color wheel has increased due to an increase in has become larger caused by light emission of the white light source, shading a portion part of the light passing through the color wheel corresponding to the increased size enlarged part of the condensed spot.

Claim 2 (Currently Amended) The projection display device of Claim 1, wherein, the shading means comprises is a diaphragm having an opening of a predetermined size, through which the incident light is passed, and a width of the opening of the diaphragm with respect to a the rotational direction of the color wheel is set to be equal equivalent to or smaller than a diameter of a condensed spot which is formed on the color wheel at an initial use of the white light source.

- Claim 3 (Currently Amended) The projection display device of Claim 1, wherein, the shading means has a light passing part, and a size of the light passing part of the shading means varies according to a wavelength of the light which has passed through the color selection means.
- Claim 4 (Currently Amended) The projection display device of Claim 1, wherein

 the shading means has a light passing part, and comprising:

 the projection display device further comprises a light elimination means for

 partially eliminating light of a specific wavelength band, from the light which is incident
 on the light passing part of the shading means.
- Claim 5 (Currently Amended) The projection display device of Claim 1, wherein, the shading means is placed on an emission side of the color selection means.
- Claim 6 (Currently Amended) The projection display device of Claim 1, wherein, the shading means is placed at a 5 mm or smaller air gap apart from the color selection means.
- Claim 7 (Currently Amended) The projection display device of Claim 1, wherein, the white light source is an extra-high pressure mercury lamp.
- Claim 8 (Currently Amended) The projection display device of Claim 1, wherein, the condensing means is an ellipsoidal mirror.
- Claim 9 (Currently Amended) The projection display device of Clam 8, wherein, the color selection means has a light passing surface or a light reflecting surface which is located in a the vicinity of a long focus of the ellipsoidal mirror.
- Claim 10 (Currently Amended) The projection display device of Claim 1, wherein, a plane that is orthogonal to an optical axis of the shading means is approximately circular in cross section.

- Claim 11 (Currently Amended) The projection display device of Claim 10, wherein, the shading means is approximately columnar.
- Claim 12 (Currently Amended) The projection display device of Claim 10, wherein, the shading means is approximately conical.
- Claim 13 (New) The projection display device of Claim 1, wherein each of the plurality of color filters is fan-shaped.